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SUBJECT: Applicant: Neyer et al.
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 For: A DISARMABLE FIRING
 MODULE
 Examiner: L. Semunegus
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 Docket No.: EGG-151J

Dear Sir:

Enclosed is a RESPONSE in reply to the Office Action mailed January 11, 2001 in the subject application. Also enclosed is an Affidavit Under 37 CFR Section 1.131 along with Exhibit A.

If for any reason this RESPONSE is found to be INCOMPLETE, or if at any time it appears that a TELEPHONE CONFERENCE with counsel would help advance prosecution, please telephone the undersigned or his associates, collect in Waltham, Massachusetts (781) 890-5678.

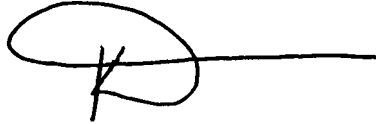
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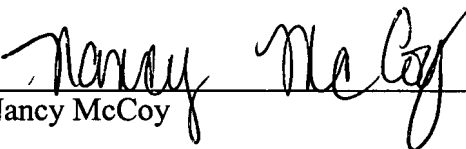
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